--- "Series of 1881" - RE-WORKED TOBACCO (RW) - Windsor Division [ ] - 3rd BABN Contract ---

--- lithographed in VIOLET ink - 238 x 20 mm - scanned at 67% scale ---

--- inscribed 1/4 over *LICENSE* **and lb. over** No..... **plus** *S.M. Return No. ..... / James Gow/* ***Collector*** **---**

Chris Ryan reports that *James Gow* replaced *C. F. Labadie* as Collector at Windsor on June 1st 1876.

John McKay records that 122,645 *lithographed* copies of "1/4 lb. Brown Tobacco", and both 14,000 and 27,355 *lithographed* copies of "1/4 Violet Ribbon Tobacco" as being 'Delivered' under the **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886). Probably this dual entry represents the Windsor Division "G 64", and the Windsor Division [ ] strips. He has grouped the Division Open and the Division "Specific" stamps.

McKay further records that 75,272 *lithographed* copies of "1/4 lb. Violet Ribbon Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the second TOBACCO section of the **4th BABN Contract** (1886-1892), which was generally reserved for *obsolete* BABN production 'Delivered' to the Department in February / March 1888. As of July 1st 1883, all brown and violet re-worked strips have been declared *obsolete*, and thus many of these sheets were *control-free*.

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) -	122,645 brown
	14,000 violet
	27,355 violet
4th BABN Contract (1886-1892) -	75,272 violet - and also brown - JBH
	239,272

During February / March 1888, BABN 'Delivered' their remaining 75,272 violet and brown 1/4th pound strips, both *control-numbered* and *control-free*, in perforated and in imperforate form to the Department, and thus originates the multiplicity of Brandom listed strips. I can see no other reason for the existence of a *control-numbered* imperforate strip - it was simply *unfinished stock*. The same can be said for the *control-free* perforated, rouletted and imperforate. They are plainly just anomalies, and they should be collected as such - i.e. not given a separate catalogue number.

The final 'upper-limit' control number on the 1/4th pound RE-WORKED TOBACCO strips - as collected to date

Division Open - brown	**063679**
Montreal Division - brown	**072640**
Montreal Division - violet	**003962**
Quebec Division - violet	**055004**
Windsor Division "G 64" - violet	**004751**
Windsor Division [ ] - violet	**005309**
	205,345

The catalogue lists this Windsor, 1/4 pound - violet [ ] RE-WORKED strip as follows:

RW-79 - Windsor, 1/4 pound - violet [ ], perforated 12, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove, with 4 mm. blue controls

RW-79n - 1/4th pound, violet, perforated 12, Windsor Division [ ], *without* control numbering, Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper - badly bowed by the lithographer

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--- RW-79 - 1/4th pound, perforated 12 - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove ---

RW-79 - 1/4th pound, violet, perforated 12, Windsor Division [ ], control number **005206**,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper

005206★	RW-79	1/4th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
005230	RW-79	1/4th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
005247★	RW-79	1/4th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
005250	RW-79	1/4th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
005265-70	RW-79	1/4th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh
005309	RW-79	1/4th pound, perforated 12, block watermarked vertical mesh

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The following badly faded strip is a remnant, probably residue from the second TOBACCO section of the **4th BABN Contract**. It has been scissor-clipped from an unfinished imperforate sheet. Since it was not a production item, I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a catalogue number.

1/4th pound, violet, ***imperforate***, Windsor Division [ ], *without* control numbering,
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove paper - badly bowed by the lithographer

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